

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

On page 1, before the paragraph beginning at line 3, please insert the heading --FIELD--.

On page 1, before the paragraph beginning at line 7, insert the heading --BACKGROUND--.

On page 3, before the paragraph beginning at line 13, please insert the heading --BRIEF SUMMARY--.

On page 4, before the paragraph beginning on line 20, please insert the heading --DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWING(S)--.

On page 5, before the paragraph beginning at line 3, please insert the heading --DETAILED DESCRIPTION --.

On page 6, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 4 through line 12 as follows:

A second embodiment of the invention is shown in Figure 2. Here, components similar to that shown in Figure 1 are given the same reference numerals, incremented by 100. The GRIN-sphere lens 102 is immersed in, and may be at least partially supported by, an environment comprising a transparent solid material 104 of uniform refractive index, having a chosen relationship with the refractive index at the GRIN-sphere surface. The transparent material may be

supported by a solid structure 108, which may for example have a lower surface formed, for example as a planar surface, so as to stably support the device in a preferred orientation on a horizontal surface. A reflective material 106 is formed on a boundary between the transparent material 104 and the solid structure 108.